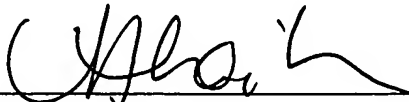




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Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated May 8, 2006, and herewith petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for a two-month extension of time for filing this response from August 8, 2006, to October 8, 2006. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$450, to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

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